

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:**

### LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended): A pesticidal emulsifiable concentrate comprising (a) 1 to 60% by weight of ~~at least one pesticidal active ingredient compound selected from the group consisting of pyriproxyfen and~~ a pyrethroid compound, (b) 2 to 15% by weight of at least one surfactant and (c) 15 to 90% by weight of at least one aromatic ester solvent represented by the formula:



or the formula:



[wherein R represents non-aromatic group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms; Ar represents an aromatic group; and X represents a single bond or an alkylene group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms].

2. (Cancelled).

3. (Cancelled).

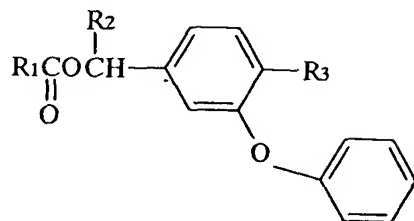
4. (Currently Amended): The pesticidal emulsifiable concentrate according to the claim 1, wherein the ~~[[pesticidal active ingredient]]~~ pyrethroid compound (a) is a compound represented by the formula:

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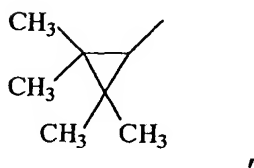
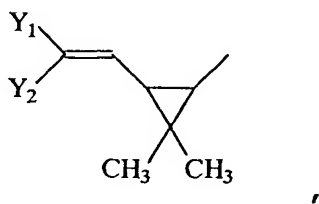
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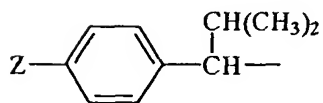


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[wherein R<sub>1</sub> represents a group of the formula]:



or



[Y<sub>1</sub> and Y<sub>2</sub> are same or different and each represents a methyl group, a trifluoromethyl group, a halogen atom or an alkoxycarbonyl group (the number of carbons atoms of the alkoxy group is from 1 to 4); and Z represents a halogen atom or a difluoromethoxy group]; R<sub>2</sub> represents a hydrogen atom or a cyano group; and R<sub>3</sub> represents a hydrogen atom or a fluorine atom].

5. (Currently Amended): The pesticidal emulsifiable concentrate according to the claim [[1, 2, 3 or 4]] 1 or 4, wherein the aromatic ester solvent (c) is at least one selected from benzyl acetate, phenyl acetate, p-tolyl acetate, 4-phenylbutyl acetate, methyl benzoate, ethyl benzoate, propyl benzoate, butyl benzoate, isoamyl benzoate, ethyl 2-methylbenzoate, methyl 2-methylbenzoate, ethyl 3-methylbenzoate, ethyl 4-methylbenzoate, ethyl phenylpropionate and ethyl phenylacetate.

6. (Currently Amended): The pesticidal emulsifiable concentrate according to claim [[1, 2, 3, 4 or 5]] 1 or 4, wherein the surfactant (b) is nonionic surfactant and/or anionic surfactant.

7. (Currently Amended): The pesticidal emulsifiable concentrate according to claim [[1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6]] 1 or 4, wherein the amounts of the pesticidal active ingredient compound (a), the surfactant (b) and the aromatic ester solvent (c) are 2 to 40% by weight, 2 to 10% by weight and 20 to 60% by weight, respectively.

8. (New): The pesticidal emulsifiable concentrate according to claim 5, wherein the surfactant (b) is nonionic surfactant and/or anionic surfactant.

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9. (New): The pesticidal emulsifiable concentrate according to claim 5, wherein the amounts of the pesticidal active ingredient compound (a), the surfactant (b) and the aromatic ester solvent (c) are 2 to 40% by weight, 2 to 10% by weight and 20 to 60% by weight, respectively.

10. (New): The pesticidal emulsifiable concentrate according to claim 6, wherein the amounts of the pesticidal active ingredient compound (a), the surfactant (b) and the aromatic ester solvent (c) are 2 to 40% by weight, 2 to 10% by weight and 20 to 60% by weight, respectively.